

The Brethren church owes a vote of thanks, and in behalf of the church, it is hereby tendered, to Frank and Harry Beer, especially the former, for valuable service in our press room at a time of sore need. Mr. Frank Beer is quite a mechanic and but for his service in putting our press in order it would have been impossible to get our work out on time. A press is a delicate piece of machinery, and when "greenies" undertake to manage it, it is likely to act balky. We were reminded of the Irishman's frog. When he first saw the creature he remarked, "What a quare animal he is; when he sits down he stands up, and when he runs he jumps." Such capers our press cut up. The more we turned off the ink the more it inked: just when the grippers were to take hold, they didn't do it, and just when they were to let go, they didn't. Mr. Beer gave us faithful service in setting in order things that were out of order, and we appreciate his kindness very much. We should also mention the name of Brother Belote, one of the Bible students who has taken some work in the office, for faithfulness and for time which was his own. In fact the thanks of the church are due the whole office force (you need not include the editor) for faithful service during this time of extreme emergency.

Brother Burkhart who has been making a noble effort to secure subscriptions for the EVANGELIST, and who has secured a fairly good list, writes as follows: I have canvassed our town thoroughly and I am sorry to find so few people, especially church members, who take a church paper. They say it costs too much for the size of it. If it were a paper like the New York World, full of obscene pictures and foolish reading, with 25 to 30 pages, and sold for seven cents per copy, then the paper would be welcome in many homes in this place. On Sunday morning when the parents and children ought to be in Sunday school, they must have time to read the Sunday paper. Brethren, let us put forth every effort to have this Sunday paper selling stopped, and the people will go to church. I know many people who watch every Sunday morning for the paper boy, and then they get in the old arm chair, and are dead to the world and their family for the rest of the day."

True, every word of it. You are entirely right, brother, and the trouble with these people is, they are more interested in the war in South Africa than they are in the war against sin and wickedness in high places. Here is our hand and heart to stop the Sunday newspaper selling. It is a violation of the law of God. We trust some one will take up the thought of Brother Burkhart and write a "ringing" article along the same line. The public needs it; there are men and women in the Brethren church who need it.

Matrimonial

KERCHER—DRAKE.—At the residence of the bride's mother, near Roann, Ind., on Sunday, Dec. 10, 1899 at 2 p. m. Mr. Le Roy Kercher and Sister Mona Drake were united in marriage. Only a few friends were present. May prosperity and happiness be their lot. Ceremony by L. O. HUBBARD.

McFADDEN—HETTINGER.—On December 9, 1899 Mr. Howard McFadden and Miss Ferne Hettinger were joined in marriage at Pleasant Home, O., by the writer. Success be with them.

WM. KIEFER.

Pleasant Home, O.

DILLMAN—FISHER.—At the home of the groom's father, two and one-half miles northwest of Mexico, Ind., Marion, O., Dillman, of Mexico, was married to Miss Telitha Fisher, of Camden, Ind., on Dec. 2, 1899. The ceremony was performed by the undersigned in the presence of a large company of friends and relatives. May this union prove to be of God and in Him may they ever be,—one in joy, one in sorrow; one in hope, one in fear; one on earth, and one in heaven. Two mornings have united hoping to reach the night together. God

speed them on thru clouds and thru sunshine to the land of cloudless day.

LOUIS S. BAUMAN.

Roann, Ind.

BAKER—WITTAMYER.—At the residence of Henry Wittamy, grandfather of the bride, Mr. John Baker, of Eaton, Ind., and Miss Mildred Wittamy were by the undersigned united in matrimony Sunday Dec. 3, 1899. They are excellent young people and we wish them abundant blessings and joy as they go together thru life. L. W. DITCH.

SIMMONS—CLINEFELTER.—At the home of the bride's uncle Mr. James Thomas, 546 Vine St., Johnstown, Pa., Nov. 16, 1899, I joined in marriage Mr. Valentine S. Simmons and Annie Clinefelter both of Vinco, Pa. A few relatives and invited guests were present. Supper was served and then the bride and the groom returned to the home of the bride's parents near Vinco, Pa. May the blessings of the Divine go with them along life's pathway.

ALVIN BYERS.

Our Dead

GLESSNER.—Esther May, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtiss Glessner of Hudson, Iowa, was buried Nov. 18. Funeral services were conducted by J. L. GILLIN.

SIMMONS.—Manson Luthus Simmons, youngest son of Noah and Hattie Simmons, was born January 27, 1892, died Dec. 3, 1899, aged seven years, 10 months and 3 days. Funeral preached at Fair Haven church by writer. JOHN M. FOX.

AULT.—Alice Irene Ault, daughter of brother Albert and sister Mary J Ault, was born July 14, 1899, died Nov. 15, 1899 aged 4 months, 1 day. She was a flower budded on earth, but transplanted to bloom in heaven. Funeral services conducted by L. W. DITCH.

KING.—Mrs. Flora Bell (Shidler) King died at her home near Washington, Pa., Oct. 24, 1899, of consumption. Aged 35 years, 4 months and 20 days. She was a member of the Highland church and had been serving her Master for nearly 20 years. She leaves a husband and one little boy to mourn their loss. Funeral services at the Presbyterian church near their home. Interment at the Lone Pine cemetery. J. M. MURRAY.

EMMERT.—Died in the Hagerstown, Md congregation, Nov. 12, 1899, Brother Henry Emmert aged seventy years. He was an estimable man and a faithful Christian. The church has sustained a serious loss in his death, but we sorrow not as those who have no hope. Our brother shall rise again.

J. M. TOMBAUGH.

BOWMAN.—In the Salisbury congregation, Somerset county, Pa., Dec. 9, 1899, of black diphtheria, Brother Charles F. Bowman, aged 25 years, 7 months and 24 days. Two of his children, a daughter died a few days before and a son a few days after the father's death of the same dread disease. Wife and babe remain to mourn their great loss. Our prayer is that the God of all consolation may comfort the greatly bereaved household. In the absence of pastor funeral services were conducted by

J. H. KNEPPER.

Meyersdale, Pa.

SENSABAUGH.—Benjamin H Sensabaugh was born April 25, 1893, died Nov. 24, 1899, aged 6 years, 6 months and 29 days. Harvey R Sensabaugh was born Feb. 14, 1891, died Nov. 25, 1899, aged 8 years, 9 months and 11 days. George E Sensabaugh was born Nov. 25, 1889, died Nov. 25, 1899, aged 10 years. All died of diphtheria.

The above were children of brother George and sister Margaret I. Sensabaugh, of Cambria township, members of Pike congregation. The funeral ser-

vices were conducted by the writer, in the presence of a large assembly of sympathizing friends. This was a sad blow to Brother and Sister Sensabaugh. But God alone can comfort them in their sorrow. Interment was made in Munday's cemetery on Nov. 26th. H. W. HOLLABAUGH, Pastor.

KITE.—Rachel Kite was born Sept. 12, 1896, died Nov. 23, 1899, at Rosedale, Pa., aged 3 years, 2 months and 11 days. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kite. She was a lovely little girl and a great blessing to the family. She was admired by all who knew her for her beauty and her wisdom. The Lord has called her home to the mansions of glory where she is now, with beckoning hands "calling the dear ones to heavenly lands." Parents, brothers and sisters out of Christ without a Savior will you heed the call of Jesus thru the voice of your darling child tuned to the voice of angels? If so, accept the Savior while you may and then when time shall be no more you shall be one undivided family around the throne of God. "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away blessed be the name of the Lord." Funeral services were conducted by the writer. Interment in the Hedrick cemetery.

ALVIN BYERS.

RILEY.—Lemuel Riley was born October 13, 1868 in Macon county, Missouri, died Nov. 8, 1899 in Woodard county Oklahoma. Mr. Riley in company with his wife, father and mother while visiting a sister in Woodard county, Oklahoma, which he had not seen for twelve years was stricken with Typhoid fever, after lingering for a period of ten days he passed peacefully away. He was conscious till the last and expressed a perfect willingness to go. Shortly before he died he requested his wife to sing for him that grand old song "I'm going home." He leaves a wife and baby, father and mother, three brothers and four sisters to mourn their loss. Mr. Riley was one of A. J. Hixon's converts and united with the Brethren church of Crescent Oklahoma in May 1899. It has been requested that Mr. Hixon preach the funeral sermon. Mr. Riley with his family located on a claim in the Cherokee Strip near Sibley, Garfield county, in the spring of 1894 and by honest and industrious means gained a comfortable home and many warm friends and neighbors who sadly miss him.

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Communion Notice

The first Brethren church of Pittsburg, Pa., will hold their quarterly communion on the evening of Dec. 28th, services opening at 8 o'clock. All of like faith are cordially invited.

ROGER E. DARLING.